

## COCKRAI IN ANTI-EXPANSION RANKS.

He Sounds Alarm at Rally of Annexation's Opponents.

NEW LEAGUE'S FIRST MOVE.

Irish-Americans Promote an Agitation Against "Entangling European Alliances."

BIG MEETING AT ACADEMY.

Ex-Ambassador Eustis, Samuel Gompers and Others Twist the Lion's Tail Vigorously.

Bourke Cockran, John B. Eustis, former Ambassador to France, and Samuel Gompers were the star speakers at the Academy of Music last night, where the Continental League had called a meeting to protest against "the policy of imperialism and entangling alliances with European powers." Admittance was by card, and the big auditorium was filled from orchestra to topmost gallery. There was an appreciable showing of femininity throughout, the boxes being occupied by men and women in evening dress, much as on the night of the opera.

It was noticed that Irish-American citizenship predominated in the management of the affair and in the audience, and this fact was made plain by the demonstration each time a speaker gave John Bull a rub.

When John C. Sheehan arrived and took a seat on the platform, where already about 200 persons sat, there was cheering and clapping of hands. When Mr. Cockran came, as he did in about the middle of the proceedings, and almost direct from a trip abroad, his vanity, if he has any, must have been satisfied for the first time in a long time. For several minutes, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was twice forced to suspend his remarks in order that the popular appreciation of Mr. Cockran might be properly signified.

William Temple Blount, a young man with a good voice and president of the League, said he would resign the chairmanship into the hands of the speaker, New York lawyer Austin C. Fox, so Mr. Fox conducted the meeting. An unexpected arrival was that of Mr. Eustis, one time Senator from Connecticut, who readily consented to tell the audience his views on so-called imperialism.

**A Strange Spectacle.** "What a strange, incredible spectacle is here presented," said he. "American citizens meeting on American soil to protest against the imperialistic tendencies of the country. What a deplorable situation is this shown. No such word as imperialism was known in this country until now since the declaration of independence."

Mr. Eustis pointed out how little he thought of the country, and how much he thought of the imperialistic tendencies of the country. He said that imperialism was a word which had been used by the British to step down from an eminence to which it had climbed above the family of nations; to abandon a high principle that has been its mainstay, and grovel in degradation. "Food them good beef!" cried an auditor. "Eustis said that when Congress had adjourned, there would be 12,000,000 people under the arbitrary direction of the President's military rule, and he predicted that Mr. McKinley would get the 'swelled head.'"

Mr. Gompers talked from the point of view of the labor leader, opposing expansion largely because he thought that the annexation of the Asiatic would degrade American labor.

"England," said he, at which hisses drowned his voice, "tell me where English workers have had an advance in wages due to the acquisition of colonial territory." So, there was a long continued demonstration of cheers and hand clapping when Mr. Cockran held the "imperialistic English factory" up and cuffed its ears. He said that men could not be civilized by conquest and amused the audience by telling it how England had just "civilized" 20,000 derelicts by killing them.

**England Hates America.**

Without presenting any statistics, he said that trade did not follow the flag, and asserted that England's colonial possessions, instead of bringing her even a penny of revenue, cost her citizens at home a lot of money. He said England and all Europe hated and feared the United States because the country was so formidable; that England knew the United States were invulnerable within their borders and that once the nation acquired far away lands it would be at the mercy of the tight little island, supreme upon the sea.

Other speakers were Edward M. Shepard, of Brooklyn; John N. Parsons, grand master workman of the Knights of Labor; and Wheeler H. Peckham. Resolutions embodying the opinions of the speakers were adopted and the meeting was closed by Grover Cleveland, William J. Bryan, Bishop Potter and several Senators.

**BELLEVUE AMBULANCE PACED BY "AJAX."**

It Contained a Sick Woman, and the Bike Policeman Helped to Break Records.

Policeman "Ajax" Whitman, of the bicycle squad, learning that two hospitals had been asked in vain to send an ambulance to No. 205 West Twenty-sixth street after Mrs. Louise Bourdon, who had been taken violently ill, dismounted from his wheel and entered the house.

Wrapping the sick woman in a blanket the erstwhile professional "strong man" carried her to the street as easily as though she had been a baby, intending to take her to Bellevue on his bicycle.

As he was walking down the stoop with the woman an ambulance from Bellevue came up. "Ajax" placed the woman tenderly in the ambulance and then rode ahead of it, pacing it so that it broke all records, back to the hospital. He stopped all street cars and cleared the streets by yelling for every one to get out of the way. The woman was revived at the hospital but the doctors say she cannot live.

**Macy Employees to Have a Ball.** The twelfth annual ball of the Macy Mutual Aid Society, a pioneer organization of its kind, will take place next Friday evening at the Lenox Tavern, which will be appropriately decorated for the occasion. A vaudeville entertainment will be followed by dancing at 10. It is announced that 5,000 tickets have been sold. The Macy Mutual Aid society was organized April 22, 1885, under the direction of Mr. Nathan Straus.

**No Hobsonizing for These Men.** Captain March said that his command escaped any possible attempt at Hobsonizing by keeping close together and attending strictly to their own business throughout their journey.

**DON'T FAIL**

to have your "want" ad. in next Sunday's Journal and secure FREE a useful thermometer-calculator souvenir.

## THIS DOUBLE WEDDING WAS MARRIED BY A PROVERB.



John F. Nestor and Lillian Nevins.

Instead of a double wedding, as planned, Miss Nevins will become Mrs. Nestor on February 7, her sister marrying Mr. Doyle the day following. Miss Nevins's father objected to a double wedding because of an old superstition.

**Miss Nevins and Her Sister Had Planned to Be Married the Same Day.**

**BUT THE FATHER SAID NO.**

**He Remembered an Irish Superstition and the Nuptial Plans Had to Give Way to It.**

**THIS IS WHAT SPOILED IT ALL.**

**"When Two Sisters Wed Within the Hour, Good Luck Shall Follow One, but the Other Shall End Her Days in Poverty."**

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It was in ignorance of the ancient superstition that Miss Katherine Deering Nevins and her sister, Miss Lillian Esther, planned their wedding day.

They went about it secretly, for concealment lends flavor to love, and it was all arranged even to the little details, and the invitations had been ordered when the sisters took first their mother, then their father into the confidence of their happy hearts.

Thomas A. Nevins is a rich man—one of the richest in Orange, N. J.—and Holly Hall, his home, is known to all the country side. But once he was poor, very poor, and when he left his native country, Ireland, his family had nothing to give but their blessing and goodwishes.

The boy was wise in the folk lore of his native land, and in the years that he has been in America he has not forgotten the old superstitions that he heard in his youth. And among them was the proverb that "When two sisters wed within an hour good luck shall follow one, but the other shall end her days in poverty." So, remembering, he resolved that his daughters should have no double wedding.

"A superstition undoubtedly," Mr. Nevins said yesterday to a Journal reporter, "but all of us are superstitious. There may be truth in the old saying; there may not be. But I am not going to take the chance that either of my daughters shall die in poverty."

There was pouting and pleading and eyes half filled with tears, but the father was obdurate and Mrs. Nevins sided with him. Existing arrangements were set aside, and all the pretty plans came to naught. Miss Katherine's wedding was allowed to lead, and so, on February 7, Miss Lillian Esther Nevins will become the wife of John F. Nestor, a wealthy young lumber merchant of Detroit, and her maid of honor will be her sister, Miss Katherine, who on the evening following will marry Nicholas Doyle, the young master of estates in County Wexford, Ireland.

Both ceremonies will be performed in St. John's Roman Catholic Church, in Orange, N. J., and both will be at 7:30 in the evening. There will be a reception for both sisters after the first wedding, and after the second wedding Mr. and Mrs. Nestor and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle will go together on an extended trip through the United States.

The maid of honor for Miss Katherine Nevins will be Miss Vincent Jackson, of Roseton, Ireland, who in a few weeks will marry Thomas A. Nevins, Jr.

**PASTOR FAINTED AWAY WHILE IN HIS PULPIT.**

Upon Being Revived He Pluckily Continued Services to the End.

Vineyard, N. J., Jan. 22.—Rev. D. H. King, D. D., of the First Presbyterian Church, became deathly pale while reading the service, and requesting the congregation to sing, left the church for fresh air. On returning and again attempting to officiate, he fell groaning in his chair and fainted.

He was quickly attended by Drs. Adams and Conwell, and carried from the pulpit. Upon regaining consciousness Dr. King pluckily insisted on finishing his sermon and succeeded upon his third attempt. The pastor's sudden illness was attributed to heart trouble.

**Mrs. Lovejoy Didn't Preach Again.** An unusually large congregation attended service at the First Congregational Church, Mount Vernon, yesterday, expecting to hear Mrs. Minnie R. Lovejoy, who preached the preceding Sunday in the place of her husband. The people were disappointed, as her husband, the Rev. Owen J. Lovejoy, was able to perform his ministerial duties.

**Woman Cycler Is Dead.** Mrs. Edgar C. Taylor, who fell from her bicycle at the corner of Washington and James streets, Newark, on Friday evening, died last night as a result of the accident. She was 40 years of age and had been riding for several years. She was found lying on the street and was taken to the hospital, but died before she could be revived.

## RAN FOLLY OF WHITE HOUSE MAJOR COMO

Ugly Occurrences at Two of the Executive Receptions.

BINGHAM CALLED DOWN.

Had Publicly Intimated to President's Guests That They Had No Invitation.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The social season at the White House, on the surface uneventful, has furnished several incidents which narrowly escaped becoming sensational. At two of the executive receptions recently affairs occurred which have been formally laid before the President of the United States.

Among those who attended the state reception given on Wednesday last in honor of the Judiciary were Captain Charles G. Ayres, of the Tenth Cavalry, and his wife, General Wheeler had obtained for them an invitation on Wednesday morning.

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